

SUPPORTS THE
PRESIDENTAttorney-General of Oklahoma,
Gov. Haskell

ORDERED DISMISSAL SUIT

Against Oil Company—Governor Haskell
Makes Reply in Which He Admits
Ordering Suit Dismissed—He
Blames Cabinet Member.

Washington, Sept. 24.—The president has received in support of the accusations against Governor C. N. Haskell today from an unexpected quarter. Charles E. West, attorney general for Oklahoma, wired that in view of the facts he considered the president's letter a "mild rebuke." He says: "The same day the governor left the state to go to Denver, the Prairie Oil and Gas company, a subsidiary company of the Standard Oil company, started its trespass. This, I believe, was pre-arranged between the governor and the company, as the company rushed the laying of the pipe line during the governor's absence. I wired the governor asking if he had given the company permission. His reply evaded my sole question. He said he was satisfied the company would not violate the law. When he heard of my bringing suit, he directed the acting governor to order to dismiss the suit, and indulged in insolent language to the effect that he would not tolerate any proceeding by me except by his direction."

HASKELL SAYS HE DID
HAVE SUIT DISMISSEDBut Declares The Company Got Its
Franchise From Roosevelt's Sec-
retary of the Interior.

Guthrie, Oklahoma, Sept. 24.—Governor Haskell in a reply to the President's charges today, "Where I do not adopt the character of language so commonly used by the President I would call it in fewer letters than 'falsehood.'" He says he did have action against the Prairie Oil and Gas company dismissed. He declares the company got its franchise, not from him, but from Roosevelt's secretary of the interior long before in Oklahoma, then a helpless territory. "Let us hope in the future he (the president) will appreciate and preserve his dignity and not try to reflect upon the character of a humble citizen. We fail to concede his false position when he knows it is false."

PRESIDENT REPLIES
TO BRYAN TELEGRAMDeclares That He Is Utterly Unfit to
Appeal to American People For
a Decent Man.

Washington, Sept. 24.—President Roosevelt last night, following upon a prolonged conference with members of the cabinet at the White House, prepared and gave out his reply to William J. Bryan, the Democratic candidate, relative to William R. Hearst's charges that Governor Haskell, treasurer of the Democratic campaign committee, had represented Standard Oil interests both in Ohio and Oklahoma. Mr. Bryan had demanded proof of the charges, promising that in the event of the substantiation Governor Haskell would be eliminated from the campaign.

Dismissing the Ohio state case, which involved an allegation of attempted bribery, with the explanation that he had made no direct charge against Governor Haskell as regards that particular instance, President Roosevelt takes up the matter of the Prairie State Oil & Gas company and argues that Governor Haskell's action in stopping legal proceedings begun by the attorney-general of Oklahoma demonstrates conclusively that he was controlled by the great corporation to which the Oklahoma company was subsidiary.

The president declares that Governor Haskell's "utter unfitness for association with any man anxious to appeal to the American people on a moral issue," has been abundantly shown by other acts of his as governor of Oklahoma.

Concluding Mr. Roosevelt declares that no law defying corporation has anything to fear from Mr. Bryan "save what it would suffer from the general paralysis of business which would follow Democratic success."

Deeming the reply too long to be sent by wire, the method of communication Mr. Bryan had employed in his challenge to the president, it was forwarded by mail to the Democratic candidate at Lincoln, Neb.

TIME FOR HIS REMOVAL.

What Leading Democrats Are Thinking
Of Mr. Haskell.

New York, Sept. 24.—It became apparent at Democratic national headquarters last night that several national committee members are preparing to use every influence to bring about the removal of Gov. Charles N. Haskell from the office of treasurer of the national committee.

This is a result of the publication of charges that Mr. Haskell, as governor of Oklahoma, declined to permit the state to prosecute the Prairie Oil com-

pany, a subsidiary of the Standard Oil company.

Charges that Governor Haskell had been identified with several railroad promotions in this city, which are said to have been unfortunate in the matter of consummation, are said tonight to have also tended to increase the feeling of these national committee members that the time has about come for Governor Haskell to resign from the committee or be removed.

Pending consideration of the reply of President Roosevelt to William J. Bryan's letter, asking that the president show proof of the charges made, National Chairman Mack is taking no action in the matter, nor would he state last night what the outcome might be with reference to the Haskell matter, though his attitude is known to be such as to oppose the continuance on the committee of any man whose affiliations are proved to be with corporations which are opposed by Mr. Bryan.

OPENS ACTIVE CAMPAIGN.

Candidate Taft Spoke Twice in Chicago
Last Evening.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 24.—William H. Taft, Republican candidate for president, in two addresses last night opened his campaign in this city. He was now on an aggressive campaign. Speaking before the Railway Men's Independent Taft club in Orchestra hall, Mr. Taft paid his respects to Union labor, dealing particularly with decisions in labor cases rendered by him when judge.

A large crowd forming an overflow meeting in Michigan avenue, surrounded Mr. Taft as he reached Orchestra hall, which was already packed. Standing in his automobile, Mr. Taft delivered an informal address to the street auditors. He said he believed that no judge had ever had the interest of the laboring man at heart more than he had now and had when a judge. He was proud to say that he frequently had been called in consultation with President Roosevelt on labor questions and that his own and the president's views were in accord. He referred to "among those people who are always full of enthusiasm for union labor when they are running for office."

PAYS RESPECTS TO GOMPERS.

Taft Says Roosevelt Has Done More
For Workingmen Than Any Other.

Bolton, Wis., Sept. 24.—Candidate Taft paid his respects to Samuel Gompers and defined his attitude on the labor question in a speech on the campus of Bolton college today. This was the first of many stops. He left Chicago at midnight, south of Galena, Ill., the train was late, and the candidate's schedule was disturbed by a crowd of villagers who would not quit until he appeared on the platform and bowed. In his speech here he declared "more has been done for the workingman by President Roosevelt than by any other man that ever lived."

BINGHAM DECLINES
N. H. NOMINATIONDemocrats Likely to Name C. C. Hayes
of Manchester For Governor.

Concord, N. H., Sept. 24.—It has been ascertained that the Hon. George H. Bingham of Manchester, judge of the supreme court, will not accept the nomination for governor by the Democratic state convention, which is to be held here on Friday next.

The information of Judge Bingham's declination, which is understood to be authoritative, gives no reasons for his refusal to run, but they are presumed to be a personal character.

It is probable that the nomination will be tendered to the Hon. Charles C. Hayes of Manchester.

MANY LIVES LOST,
PROPERTY DESTROYEDTyphoon Sweeps Central Portion of
Philippine Group—Whole Towns
Reported Razed.

Manila, Sept. 24.—Meagre reports are received of the destruction by typhoon that swept the central portion of the Philippine group. The town of Nasabon is reported razed, the post office alone being left standing. Bombs reports a heavy destruction of property and the probable loss of many lives. The storm came without warning and it is feared when communications are restored it will be found the loss of life and property is enormous.

MEET AT ST. ALBANS.

Next State Convention of the Baptists
in 1909.

Ludlow, Sept. 24.—The following officers were elected yesterday at the Baptist state convention, president, Dr. H. D. Holton, Brattleboro; vice-president, Rev. Geo. R. Starr, Middlebury; clerk, Rev. Henry Crocker, Chester; trustees for three years, Rev. Eugene Haynes, Rutland, Rev. S. E. Perry, Richmond, Rev. A. Williams, Newport, ex-governor W. W. Sweeney, Ludlow, Rev. W. E. Brainard, Barre, Rev. J. W. Moore, Bellows Falls; trustee for two years to fill a vacancy, E. N. Bixby, Poughkeepsie; trustee of Vermont association for three years, David G. Cram, Burlington; trustee for two years, John O. Spring, Bellows Falls. It was voted to hold the next convention at St. Albans, Sept. 21, 1909.

Brokers Expelled From Exchange.

New York, Sept. 24.—Following an investigation into the alleged gambling delinquency of A. O. Brown & Co., Aug. 22, the board of governors of the stock exchange has expelled Brown and L. C. Young, two board members of stock brokerage concerns.

Pleaded Guilty.

Nicholas Aja pleaded guilty in Montpelier city court yesterday afternoon to a breach of the peace on another sign at a week ago at Montpelier & Wells River station at Montpelier. He paid \$10 and costs of \$5.20.

OAKES CAUGHT
ONCE MOREThe Elusive Young Man Who
Had a Grievance

TO AIR BEFORE PRESIDENT

He Wandered Back to St. Johnsbury
from Waterbury Where He Escaped
the Officer—One of His Vagaries
in the Scale Town.

St. Johnsbury, Sept. 24.—Percy Oakes, the young insane man who dodged the officer just as he was being booked at the state insane asylum at Waterbury and eluded pursuit Monday afternoon, drifted back to this place and was again arrested last night. He had apparently walked back from Waterbury. He was again taken back to Waterbury today, and Officer Goss, who is in charge of him, will see that the fellow doesn't get away again. He was examined at the time of his first arrest and was pronounced insane.

One of his vagaries was that someone was trying to kill him. He went into a local clothing store and asked for a suit of clothes. He tried a suit on and it apparently suited him. Then assuming a confidential tone he asked one of the proprietors if he could wear the suit just thirty minutes. When pressed upon the reason for his request, he stated that he wanted to stand in front of the store for thirty minutes with that suit on; a man was coming along who was going to kill him and he just wanted to fool him with that new suit.

The proprietor declined to humor the fellow, whereupon the stranger bolted for the door. He was captured and stripped of the suit. It was also found that he had been working people for meals by various devices. Physicians were called to examine him, and they reported that he was of unsound mind.

Oakes is the fellow who applied at the State House in Montpelier for paper and pen, as he wanted to write a letter to President Roosevelt about that "slender case." He was questioned by Montpelier officers, but was later released.

MRS. MEADER A SUICIDE.

Newmarket, N. H., Woman Hangs Her-
self to Beam in Barn.

Newmarket, N. H., Sept. 24.—Temporary insanity, caused by brooding over the death of her husband and of other relatives, is believed to have been the cause of the suicide of Mrs. Julia Meader, whose body was found hanging from a beam in her barn yesterday. She was 65 years old and lived in a farmhouse about a mile from the center of the town.

A LONG RAIN
IS ONLY HOPESays Government Forest Expert on The
Forest Fires Now Raging—Min-
nesota Loss May Be
\$10,000,000.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 24.—The forest fire losses in Minnesota may aggregate \$10,000,000 according to the report of R. W. Pullman, the government expert. He says the country is very dry and there are brush fires everywhere. A long rain is the only hope.

DEATH OF THE CONSTABLE.

Vaughan Had Been Stabbed By a Mur-
derous Postage.

Middlebury, Mass., Sept. 24.—Constable James O. Vaughan of South Carver, who was stabbed last Sunday while attempting to arrest John Monte, a Portuguese cranberry picker, on the charge of assault, died last night of his injuries.

Vaughan had been at the home of Gustavus H. Long, near the scene of Sunday's battle. Up to today his condition appeared favorable for recovery, but he had a sudden sinking spell this afternoon and died a few hours later. He was about 30 years of age.

The struggle in which constable Vaughan received his death wound resulted from his efforts to arrest Monte, who was wanted for an attempted assault on Arthur C. Atwood, the foreman of the cranberry-picking grounds where Monte was employed. Atwood assisted Vaughan when the constable went to arrest Monte and after the constable had been stabbed in the side by Monte's dirk, Atwood drew a revolver and fired a shot which entered the Portuguese's temple, killing him instantly. Atwood, who was himself stabbed several times, is at the hospital in Plymouth and is reported as on the road to recovery.

DECLARED A TIE
BY PRES. PULLIAMHead of National League Ordered the
Game Played Over Again This
Afternoon.

New York, Sept. 24.—The Chicago-New York baseball game here yesterday, protested by the Cubs, was declared a tie today by President Pulliam of the National Baseball league, score 1 to 1. Manager Chase said he would take his Chicago team to the Polo grounds ready to play off the tie, and if the Giants refused, he would claim the game as forfeited.

STATE FAIR DRAWING
IMMENSE CROWDSThree Races Were Run Off at White
River Junction Yesterday After-
noon—The Results.

White River Junction, Sept. 24.—The management estimates that 30,000 people passed through the gates yesterday at the Vermont state fair. Special trains from Concord brought 1,600 people, and the Central Vermont train from all sections were jammed to the doors. The Concord train was the heaviest special ever run over the division.

Among the distinguished guests in the grandstand was ex-Governor J. G. McCullough, who brought an automobile party from Bennington consisting of General E. L. Gates and W. H. Bradford. The exhibit of Morgan horses is exceptionally fine, and Chief Bell of the bureau of animal industry is here by order of President Roosevelt to inspect the famous breed.

The features at yesterday's session of the fair was the pony polo game between the Myopia club of Boston and squadron A, national guard of New York. This is the first time this game has been played in this section, and although on a slow, sandy field of less than standard size, the playing was fast.

The fast playing of Webb and Tweed was mainly due to the openings that squadron A gave them, allowing both to make long runs. Although watering carts were kept busy at work all night, the field at times was so dusty that the ball was lost to sight. The tennis play again Friday. Three races were on the card for Tuesday, including the postponed 2:24 class race from Tuesday. The summary:

2:24 Class, Pacing.

Purse \$300.
Alec Bell, Jr. (Hayden) 4 3 1 1 1
Ben Hur, Jr. (Upton) 1 2 4 5 2
King's Man, Jr. (Loe) 3 1 3 3 2
Jug, Jr. (Tyler) 2 4 2 2 4
Billie Mack and Vic Pinter also were started.

Time, 2:19 1/4, 2:21 1/4, 2:21 1/4, 2:24 1/4, 2:24 1/4.

2:17 Class, Trotting.

Purse \$400.
Dena, Jr. by Happy Gotthard, dam
by Nelson Wilkes (Pierce) 1 1 1
Janet, Jr. by (Chapman) 2 2 2
Kastor, Jr. (Dover) 3 3 3
Time, 2:19, 2:20 1/4, 2:20 1/4.

2:30 Stake Pacing.

Purse \$500.
Wendell, Jr. by Debar (Bennett) 1 1 1
Silver Heels, Jr. (Upton) 5 2 2
Juan, Jr. (Smith) 2 6 3
Lady Lee, Jr. (Pierke) 3 3 3
Friendless, Lucy A., and Candy Girl also started.

Time, 2:16 1/4, 2:15 1/4, 2:15 1/4.

SECOND DEGREE GUILT
DECLARES THE JURYAfter Three Hours Deliberation on the
Case of Antonio Valente, Accus-
ed of Murdering Deputy
Sheriff Hayden.

Rutland, Sept. 24.—Antonio Valente, an Italian, who has been on trial here since last Thursday for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Frank A. Hayden of Ludlow last July, was yesterday afternoon found guilty of murder in the second degree. It took the jury only three hours to reach a verdict. Valente stood Hayden, three times with an axe when the officer attempted to arrest him at a lonely place in the mountains, where he was working as a woodchopper, for non-payment of a debt. The sheriff died eight days after the assault.

It is understood that the defense will move for a state of sentence, pending the taking of the case to the supreme court. The case goes up chiefly on exceptions taken to Judge Haskell's charge to the jury.

ENDED HIS LIFE
WITH DYNAMITEGeorge Walker of Perkinsville Had
Been Suffering For a Long Time
With Cancer.

Springfield, Sept. 24.—George Walker of Perkinsville committed suicide Tuesday night by the use of dynamite. Walker, who was suffering from a long time with a cancer on the face and had recently been moody. He was missed from the hotel where he lived Tuesday night and a search followed. While the searchers were out they heard an explosion, but did not discover the mangled body of Walker till yesterday morning when it was found in Willis Mahoney's pasture.

30-MINUTE RAIN
AROUND ST. ALBANSFavored Section Got a Drenching This
Morning, Water Fell in Several
Places Thereabouts.

St. Albans, Sept. 24.—A heavy rain storm fell here at 8 o'clock this morning lasting for thirty minutes. Rain was also reported from Burlington, Richmond and Shelburne and it is probable that the storm passed over this whole section of the state.

Smeltzer—Longheed.

Married on the 22d inst. at Concord, N. H., by the Rev. Veigi V. Johnson, Ezekiel H. Smeltzer of Lodi, N. S., to Miss Fannie Langheed, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Langheed of Barre. W. J. Langheed accompanied by his sister, left for Concord, N. H., to meet the groom. They will reside in Pittsfield, Mass.

Death of 10 Years' Old Boy.

Mario, the ten-years-old son of Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Mola of Berlin street, died at four o'clock yesterday afternoon. The boy was operated on for appendicitis Tuesday evening and his head being in contact accidentally with the shock of the operation. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

\$2,023,019.11
GRAND LISTVermont Figures Have Just
Been Compiled

TOTAL POLLS ARE 183,500

The Deductions for Debts Owning Are
\$1,772,544, the Including of This
Being a New Feature of
the Annual Report.

Grand list returns from the state of Vermont have been compiled in the office of the secretary of state at Montpelier. They show that there are 183,500 polls in the state, \$1,408,919.11 in real estate appraisal, \$43,599,064 in personal property, and a total grand list of \$2,023,019.11. A new feature of the report is the figures for deductions, showing that \$1,772,544 is taken out for debts owing.

The figures by counties are as follows: Addison, polls, 10,216; real estate, \$96,128; personal property, \$3,906,077; grand list, \$3,934,247.

Bennington, polls, 10,026; real estate, \$8,322,570; personal property, \$2,162,937; grand list, \$10,485,507.

Caledonia, polls, 13,808; real estate, \$9,210,284; personal property, \$2,500,135; grand list, \$11,710,419.

Chittenden, polls, 29,460; real estate, \$18,851,403; personal property, \$3,934,200; grand list, \$22,785,603.

Essex, polls, 4,034; real estate, \$2,740,504; personal property, \$438,533; grand list, \$3,179,037.

Franklin, polls, 14,238; real estate, \$10,290,120; personal property, \$2,763,309; grand list, \$14,053,429.

Grand Isle, polls, 1,902; real estate, \$1,149,372; personal property, \$283,456; grand list, \$1,432,828.

Lamoille, polls, 6,572; real estate, \$4,128,233; personal property, \$1,147,898; grand list, \$5,276,131.

Orange, polls, 9,990; real estate, \$5,054,270; personal property, \$2,396,070; grand list, \$7,450,340.

Orleans, polls, 13,898; real estate, \$7,000,390; personal property, \$2,905,195; grand list, \$9,905,585.

Rutland, polls, 25,132; real estate, \$19,662,887; personal property, \$5,755,036; grand list, \$25,417,923.

Washington, polls, 23,222; real estate, \$15,021,467; personal property, \$4,316,772; grand list, \$19,338,239.

Windham, polls, 14,840; real estate, \$12,442,262; personal property, \$3,051,478; grand list, \$15,493,740.

Windsor, polls, 17,329; real estate, \$12,237,357; personal property, \$3,196,493; grand list, \$15,433,850.

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